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Magalie Roman Sales Office of the Secretary Federal Communication Commission 445 Twelfth St., SW, TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Secretary,

As a person who is blind and a manager of an organization of advocates for people with disabilities in Maine I support the Federal Communication Commission's proposed rules for descriptive video MM Docket NO. 99-339.

Stick to your guns and do not cave in to pressure from the entertainment industry and others who argue that DVS (which has been around for fifteen years) can't be cost effectively incorporated into television and movies. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Gary McLaughlin

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